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Mr. Allan L. Blutstein American Rising, LLC 1500 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, VA 22209

Dear Mr. Blutstein,

Subj: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA); CASE NUMBER DON-NAVY-2018-006153

We are writing to respond to your request. We have enclosed 48 pages of responsive records which are being released to you in part. Portions of the documents are being withheld under the following FOIA exemptions:

- Exemption 4 (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)) protects trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential.
- Exemption 6 (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)) consists of personal information, (i.e., names, home addresses, phone numbers, email, etc.), and we have determined that the individuals to whom this information pertains have a substantial privacy interest in withholding it.

In view of the above, you may consider this to be an adverse determination that may be appealed. Since you have created an account in FOIAonline, you may submit an appeal directly within the web-based system. To do this, you would log in to your account, retrieve your original request, and then click on the "Create Appeal" tab in the left-hand column. The basic information from your request will be duplicated for you, and then you can type in the basis of your appeal. If you prefer to use regular mail, you may submit an appeal to:

The Department of the Navy
Office of the General Counsel (ATTN: FOIA APPEALS)
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532
Washington, DC 20350-1000

Your appeal, if any, must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should include a copy of your initial request, a copy of this letter, and a statement indicating why you believe your appeal should be granted. For any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request, you have the right to contact the Department of the Navy FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031. Additionally, you have the right to contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records

Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, MD 20740-01, ogis@nara.gov; (202) 741-5770; toll free at (877) 684-6448; or facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

Further questions regarding the action this office has taken may be directed to Abby Machalec, abby.machalec@navy.mil. Please refer to your FOIA case number DON-NAVY-2018-006153 whenever corresponding about this request.

Sincerely

P.A. POLLOCK

Chief Management Officer

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